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SUBJ: FOLLOW-UP REQUEST FOR SERVICES BY SSA

SSA R121555Z JAN, R131940Z JAN, BEIRUT OM OF SEPT. 11, 1975

1. EMBASSY FULLY APPRECIATE NEED FOR PROMPT RESPONSE TO SOCIAL SECURITY REQUESTS FOR SERVICES. UNFORTUNATELY, EVER-ESCALATING CIVIL DISTURBANCES IN LEBANON HAVE BROUGHT EMBASSY'S ABILITY TO RESPOND TO SUCH REQUESTS TO VIRTUAL HALT. INTERNAL POSTAL SYSTEM DOES NOT FUNCTION AT ALL. CONTACT BY TELEPHONE GENERALLY INSUFFICIENT TO COMPLETE SUCH REQUESTS. INDIVIDUALS CONCERNED CANNOT COME TO EMBASSY BECAUSE MOST ROADS CONSIDERED UNSAFE AND GOVERNMENT RAIDERS CONSISTENTLY ADVISES CITIZENS TO STAY OFF STREETS. BY SAME TOKEN, THOSE FEW EMBASSY EMPLOYEES WHO CAN COME TO EMBASSY CANNOT TRAVEL AROUND CITY OR COUNTRY. ALL SUCH INVESTIGATIVE SERVICES BY EMBASSY HAVE CEASED COMPLETELY FOR FORESEEABLE FUTURE.

2. EMBASSY WOULD VERY MUCH APPRECIATE IT IF DEPARTMENT COULD CONTACT SSA AND ADVISE THEM OF THIS SITUATION. WE WILL RESPOND TO THEIR REQUESTS AT VERY FIRST OPPORTUNITY.
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